

PROFESSIONAL LAND SURVEYOR EXAMINATION MATRIX

For the Washington State Portion of the Exam

Starting in April 2000, the Board of Registration will begin using the National Land Surveyor examination (NCEES). That exam is six hours long and examines over surveying subjects common to the whole country. The Board then writes an additional exam over surveying subjects that are specific, and/or critical to, the practice of surveying in the state of Washington.

The state's portion of the examination will be in two parts. The first part will be a timed exam, two hours long, and will be taken at the exam site immediately following the end of the national six hour exam.

The two hour exam contains twenty-five (25) multiple-choice questions over six subject areas, as follows:

SUBJECT	NO. OF QUESTIONS
LAW	3
GLO	5
DESCRIPTIONS	4
PRINCIPLES	4
AQUATIC	7
STATE PLANE	2
TOTAL	25

The second part of the examination will be a take home exam over laws and rules. There will be a total of fifty (50) multiple-choice questions on this exam. Twenty-five (25) questions will be over Chapter 18.43 RCW and Chapter 196 WAC covering issues of licensure and disciplinary guidelines and the rules of professional conduct. A second twenty-five (25) questions will be over six laws and rules specific to the practice of land surveying. Those applicants who have not taken and passed either the general and/or land surveyor take-home exam, will be sent the appropriate exam(s), prior to the administration of the written exam. Included with the take-home exam will be the reference material listed below that is **NOT** part of the "Law Relating to Engineers and Land Surveyors".

MATRIX FOR TAKE-HOME EXAM

LAW/RULE	NO. OF QUESTIONS
RCW 18.43 and WAC 196	25
RCW 58.20	2
RCW 58.24/WAC 332-120	1
RCW 58.09	6
WAC 332-130	6
RCW 58.17	10
TOTAL	50